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SITE DESCRIPTION/EXECUTIVE SUMMARY



Site Name and Location

Johnson Control-Globe Union 951 Aiken Road Owosso, MI 48867 County: S

Shiawassee

Michigan Code Number: 78-07

78-07N-03E-20CC

DNR District:

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EPA ID Number:

MID058816927

SAS Score/Screen No.: 07

Globe Union manufactures auto batteries; wastewater generated from floor and battery washing, air scrubbing water, and acid spillage are drained to a lagoon to a treatment tank where NaOH is added for pH adjustment. From there it is allowed to settle twice and is finally discharged to the Shiawassee River. Sediments in the Shiawassee River and in the drain from Globe Union to the Shiawassee River show high levels of PCB's and heavy metals, particularly lead. Native fish tissue samples near the Globe Union discharge drain contained PCB in levels below the FDA action level of 5 mg/l, whole clam tissue samples showed no detectable levels of organics but zinc levels ranged from 30 to 60 ppm. Groundwater flow is north-northwest at the site, toward the Owosso municipal well #1. Groundwater sampling showed heavy metals and phenols above background levels in 1984. Hazardous wastes are briefly stored on-site, the company is also a licensed hazardous waste hauler.

Recommendations For EPA

A medium priority for inspection is recommended. Monitoring well, effluent, river bed sediment, and nektonic/benthic organism sampling data is available in the file. Groundwater flow characteristics are known. Additional sampling of sediments and a biological survey may have merit to determine if contamination levels have changed. Otherwise, an HRS score can be generated from existing file data.

Date of Previous Summary: 11/27/84
Previous Author: B. Grabowski

Current Date: 6/24/85
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SECTION E

GROUNDWATER MONITORING SYSTEM

INTRODUCTION

This section presents the geologic, hydrogeologic, and water quality data collected to-date at the Battery Division facility in Owosso, Michigan. A hydrogeological report was prepared in January of 1984 for the two surface impoundments at the Battery facility. The report is found in Appendix E-1, and contains descriptions of the drilling program, geology, uppermost zone of saturation, and groundwater quality. Four borings were made as part of the hydrogelogic report and these borings were cased and used as monitoring wells (MW-1 through MW-4). The monitoring well locations are shown in Figure E-1, along with the locations of the surface impoundments.

Monitoring wells MW-1 through MW-4 were drilled and cased early in March of 1983. Drilling logs and details of monitoring well construction are included in Appendix E-1. These wells were sampled on the following dates:

March 7, 1983

July 6, 1983

October 7, 1983

January 17 and 20, 1984

April 23 and 26, 1984

July 6 and 10, 1984

October 12 and 25, 1984

December 9, 1984

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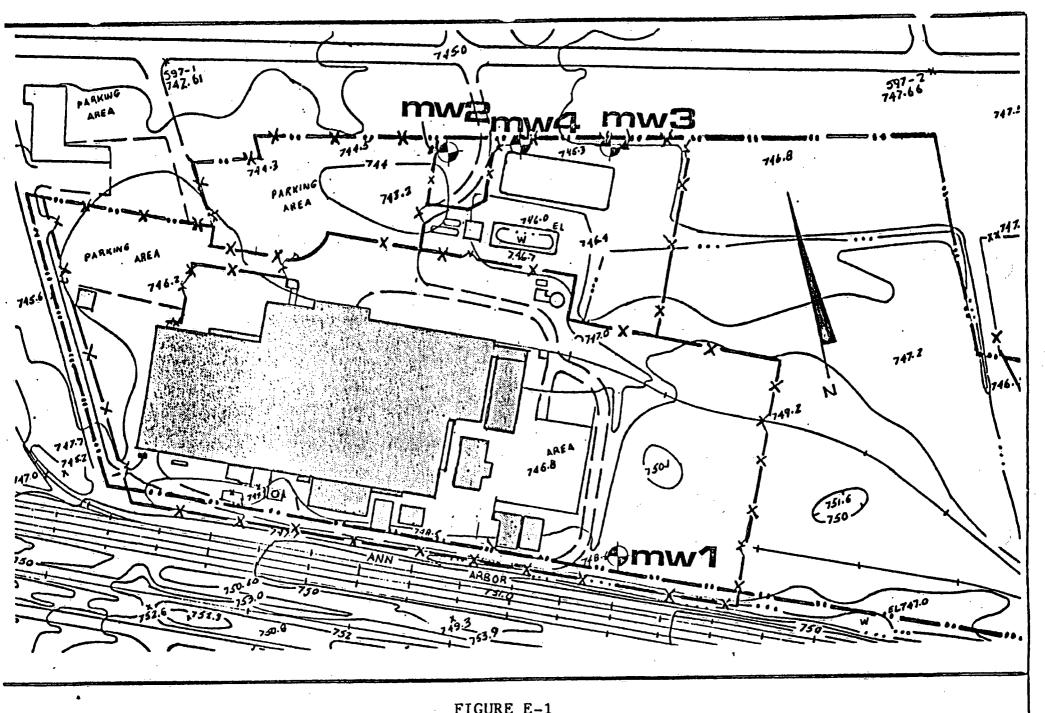


FIGURE E-1
WELL LOCATIONS
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The analytical results for the sampling dates are contained in Appendix E-2. The results for March 7, 1983 were discounted and not used as the first set of quarterly background water quality samples because of problems with proper detection limits and the wells not being properly developed. The quarterly background water quality data were obtained from July, 1983 through April, 1984, and groundwater quality statistics were computed with these data according to Iterim Status regulations.

Samples taken in July, 1984 were at the request of the Michigan DNR and were split with the DNR. MW-1 through MW-4 were sampled on a semi-annual basis in October, 1984 according to Interim Status regulations. The groundwater quality data for October, 1984 were compared to the background water quality statistics according to Interim Status regulations. Statistically significant changes in groundwater quality were found at the monitoring wells for the parameters listed on Table E-1. The monitoring wells were resampled in December of 1984 and the statistically significant increase in specific conductance was confirmed for MW-2. The computation sheets of groundwater quality statistics are found in Appendix E-3.

A groundwater quality assessment plan was prepared under Interim Status regulations in January, 1985. This plan is to be revised in March of 1985 to fit in with the RCRA Part 264 requirements. This plan, once approved by EPA, will be followed and should provide the groundwater quality data to: 1) better define a plume of contamination (if any exists); and 2) provide groundwater quality data necessary to complete the groundwater monitoring plan under Part 264 of 40 CFR. Monitoring wells will

TABLE E-1

STATISTICALLY SIGNIFICANT CHANGES IN GROUNDWATER QUALITY

Sampling Date: October 12 and 23, 1984

| Monitoring Well | Parameter | Comments |
|-----------------|----------------------|----------------------|
| MW-1 | рН | Significant Decrease |
| MW - 3 | рН | Significant Decrease |
| MW-4 | рн | Significant Decrease |
| MW - 2 | Specific Conductance | Significant Increase |
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Notes:

- 1. The statistically significant increase in specific conductance at MW-2 was confirmed with sampling in December, 1984.
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- 3. The pH meter was suspected of being faulty.

be sampled and analyzed for indicator and water quality, parameters, Appendix III parameters, Appendix VIII parameters, and other hazardous waste constituents.

Additional hydrogeological data were obtained in December of 1984 as part of the groundwater quality assessment plan. The additional information is contained in Appendix E-4.

This section of the RCRA Part B application contains brief descriptions of geology, soil borings, monitoring wells, permeability tests, groundwater elevation data, and groundwater quality data. Groundwater quality standards also are discussed and groundwater quality data which exceed standards are noted. A groundwater monitoring program is proposed although it is not The groundwater monitoring program cannot be completed until sampling and analysis are conducted according to the groundwater quality assessment plan. Once the results of the groundwater quality assessment plan are known, the hazardous waste constituents which will be monitored, and the frequency of monitoring will be selected according to either a detection or compliance monitoring program. Water quality standards for these hazardous waste constituents also will be proposed in the completed groundwater monitoring plan.

LOCAL GEOLOGY

Local geology is discussed in more detail in the hydrogeological report in Appendix E-1. The Battery facility is located on a minor bench feature of the Shiawassee River allivial plain. The surficial deposits generally consist of yellow-brown and bluegray clays. The clay units are in contact with a shale unit, which are above sandstone formations. There is a saturated zone in the clay units which is considered the uppermost aquifer. However, water supply wells generally are not placed in the clay units because of very low yields. Wells for water supply generally are drilled into the sandstone formations. Water well records were reviewed in the hydrogeological report in Appendix E-1.

SOIL BORINGS

Soil boring logs are located in the hydrogeological report (Appendix E-1) and with the additional hydrogeological investigative work (Appendix E-4). The local geology is illustrated on the generalized fence diagram in Appendix E-4 which links soil boring logs made on the Battery site. The locations of all of the soil borings are shown on Figure 1 in Appendix E-4.

PERMEABILITY TESTS

Permeability tests were made on liner samples taken from the soil borings made in December of 1984 which were part of the additional hydrogeological investigative work (Appendix E-4). The locations of the borings are shown on Figure 1 in Appendix E-4, and the results of the permeability tests are summarized on Table E-2. The average vertical hydraulic conductivity (permeability) measured is 5.7×10^{-7} cm/sec.

GROUNDWATER ELEVATION DATA

Static water level measurements were taken for each well prior to sampling under Interim Status regulations. Some groundwater elevation data also were collected as part of the additional hydrogeological investigative work (Appendix E-4). The groundwater elevation data for December, 1984 were put on a site map and groundwater contours were interpreted. Figure 2 in Appendix E-4 shows these groundwater contours. The elevation of the uppermost zone of saturation is about 10 feet below grade.

IDENTIFICATION OF THE UPPERMOST AQUIFER

The uppermost aquifer has been identified to be in the clayey sediments. The top of the zone of saturation generally is about 10 feet below grade. The depth of the clay units at the Battery facility is about 22 to 25 feet below grade. The aquifer is in

TABLE E-2
VERTICAL HYDRAULIC CONDUCTIVITY

BATTERY DIVISION, JOHNSON CONTROLS, INC. OWOSSO, MICHIGAN LABORATORY HYDRAULIC CONDUCTIVITY VALUES

| Sample Location | Depth Interval | Hydraulic Conductivity in cm/sec. |
|-----------------|----------------|-----------------------------------|
| TH-1 | 19' - 21' | 2.4×10^{-7} |
| MW-6 | 19' - 21' | 2.1×10^{-7} |
| MW-8 | 19' - 21' | 2.0×10^{-7} |
| MW-9 | 18' - 21' | 4.7×10^{-8} |
| MW-10 | 19' - 21' | 1.2×10^{-6} |
| MW-11 | 19' - 21' | 2.9×10^{-6} |
| MW-12 | 14' - 16' | 4.6 x 10 ⁻⁸ |
| MW-13 | 19' - 21' | 9.1×10^{-8} |
| MW-14 | 14' - 16' | 1.6×10^{-7} |

Hydraulic conductivity was measured using the constant head method.